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THE SIEGE OF CHARLESTON.

OUR MORRIS ISLAND LETTER.

Progress of Land and Naval Operations.

[Special Correspondence Chicago Tribune.]

HEADQUARTERS U. S. FORCES, MORRIS ISLAND, S. C., Nov. 1st, 1863.

Somewhat of life and activity has animated us since the 20th ult., on which day the fourth bombardment of Fort Sumter commenced at 10 o'clock in the morning, and up to the present hour has been tolerably steady and well sustained. The heavy guns which have been put in position in Gregg and Wagner have been working excellently, although there have been some accidents resulting from three 200-pounders and two 100-pounders having burst since our batteries opened. It takes but a short time, however, to mount others in their places. The 300-pounder in the new work called "Battery Chaddick," situate between Gregg and Wagner, has been doing wonderfully accurate shots, and on the 28th was fired fifty times, burning on that day alone 2,040 pounds of powder, including that used in the shell, and throwing a weight of 14,000 pounds of metal. This, for a single day's work of one gun, gives some little idea of what it costs to make and carry on a war.

The effect of this last attack was easily marked with the naked eye from the look out, about midway up the Island, and from the extreme northern point the distance from the fort is so comparatively trifling that no guess is needed to mark the effect of each shot. On the 29th, the appearance of the sea fare wall showed a reduction in height of at least eight feet along its whole length, leaving the northeastern corner jutting up into the air like some ancient crag which had weathered the storms of half a century. The flag staff was shot away on the 27th, but was quickly raised again, and their torn and ragged ensign still flies as a lie surmounts that mass of ruins once called Fort Sumter. The men have found their sharpshooters at work from the fort, but during the last three days the storm of shell has rendered any little annoyance of this nature decidedly hazardous. Indeed, a deserter is said to have come in this morning with the story that yesterday there were only twenty-four of the rebels in the fort, but that towards night their number was increased to three hundred.

Forts Moultrie and Johnson reply at intervals to our fire—so far, however, with but little or no effect. Our batteries are now nearer the enemy by a mile, then when first opened, and can considerably within the actual distance when I state this. The effect of our guns you can easily believe to be very much greater than at my period prior to this; and on the 27th, as 600, 200 and 100 pounders, mortars and Columbiads poured on between half of hurtling iron against their massive target, the fields of dust and brick which rose above the fort as each shot struck it, told its own story of the tremendous weight and power of our metal. For the past three days also, the Monitors Lehigh and Patapsco have joined the thunder of their powerful guns to the general din, and the accuracy of their shots has well proved the precision and skill of their Jack-tar gunners.

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[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11, 1863.

The following report has been received from Adjutant Gen. Thomas:

HEADQRS., Miss., Oct. 15, 1863.

SIR: I recently passed a few days of Goodrich's Landing, La., fifty miles above Vicksburg. My purpose being to ascertain the condition of leased plantations, to what extent the cultivation of cotton has been carried on, and especially to know whether the cultivation of plantations could not be carried on as well by hired freemen as by slaves.

The gathering of cotton is now in full operation, and it may be too soon to report fully the result, but facts in my possession are sufficient for a judgment on the experiment, as previously reported.

The season had advanced fully two months beyond the time cotton should have been planted, which was unavoidable, although the system was put in operation as soon after my coming to this country as was possible.

The lessees therefore labored under great disadvantage in this respect, for most of them had just to run the furrow to plant seed, then plant corn, relying on subsequent time to break up the ground between the furrows of cotton and entirely kill the weeds.

The necessity of withdrawing troops from Louisiana to augment the force operating against Vicksburg, left this line of plantations, some sixty in all, without adequate protection, when the rebels made an attack on Milliken's Bend, where they were signally defeated, and made raids on plantations, obtaining a fine drivings of negroes and stock.

This occurred at a time when it was large time to cultivate crops. Some time elapsed before the hands could be collected, and they were induced to recommence work. The consequence was, fully one half of the crops were not worked at all, and in other cases they commenced work but soon the weeds and plants had to grow up together, the lill weeds overlapping the cotton plant.

The army worm attacked all late cotton, destroying from a quarter to half of the crops. Still under all these disadvantages not one of the lessees will lose money, but all derive a profit.

I have been thus full and satisfied with this experiment. All desire to lease for another year. The negro lessees, of whom there are some fifteen, will make from four and five bales, up to, in one case, 150; and it is a fact that the cotton they have raised for themselves, owing to its better cultivation, is of a higher grade than that of the white lessees. Some of the latter have contracted by themselves and families, whilst others have employed their fellow-freedmen. The freedmen have worked for wages according to the scale fixed upon by the Board of Commissioners, and at a higher rate, I understand, than was adopted in the Department of the Gulf. They have been well and more abundantly fed, and the accuracy of their shots has well proved the precision and skill of their Jack-tar gunners.

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Gen. Banks Leading a New Expedition.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—The U. S. steam transport Daniel Webster, Capt. Sherman, arrived at this port this morning from New Orleans, Oct. 31. She brings news of the departure from New Orleans, under Maj. Gen. Banks in person, of the expedition which for three weeks has been filling out under direction of Maj. Gen. Dana. The number of troops composing the expedition is not announced, but the fleet of transports is quite numerous. The steamship McClellan, Capt. Gray, is flagship, and the fleet includes the steamships Crescent, St. Mary's, Clinton, T. A. Scott, Pocahontas, Northerner, Empire City, Hussar, Nassau, Suffolkness, Peabody, General Banks, Rosey, Begley, Zephyr and Union. Several schooners and tugs are also attached to the fleet as tenders to the transports. Three war vessels convoy the expedition, viz., the Monongahela, Capt. Strong; Owasco, Lieut. Commanding Henry, and Virginia, Lieut. Brown. These vessels are under the command of Capt. Strong of the Monongahela.

The fleet crossed the bar of the Southwest Pass on the morning of the 27th for its destination [illegible].

The following orders on anchoring were issued:

Immediately after anchoring on the enemy's coast, all boats will be cleared away; transports in tow of steam-tugs will cast them off, and these towing schooners will haul them up and anchor with them.

The soldiers will be provided with four days' cooked rations. This will be necessary, as there will be probably no fresh water. Their canteens will also be filled with good water, and they will be cautioned to be very careful in the use of it. Knapsacks will be dispensed with, with arms, in good order, and haversacks in the scabbard. They will then stop into the small boats and be served ashore. Every soldier will be supplied with the full amount of forty rounds of ammunition in his cartridge box, and those who are on board of transports which carry ammunition will carry twenty rounds extra in their knapsacks.

The 19th and 13th army corps are not in the vicinity of Vermilionville, or between there and Opelousas. It is certain they have not advanced beyond Opelousas, and probably they will remain where they are, holding the country already in our possession until something is heard from the expedition which lately sailed from here. There has been no fighting. There are rumors of an attack on our lines at different points of the Bayou Teche, but they are unfounded.

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SECESSIONISM IN LOUISIANA.

Perhaps our readers have seen, in the Copperhead journals, some accounts of the willingness of the people of Louisiana to come back into the Union, and some accounts, also, of the "tyranny" and "despotism" of the Administration in stubbornly refusing to gratify their wishes. The New York *Tribune*, in its New Orleans correspondence of Oct. 30th, related a second or third instalment of these pathetic innocents, which is of a piece with the others that have preceded it, and we conclude the narrative for the purpose of showing what the Union party of the Southern Copperhead N. and how blameable the Government at Washington is to be considered for not yielding to their whining:

On Wednesday morning, Oct. 29th, says the story, there appeared in the morning papers of New Orleans an "Address to the Citizens of Louisiana," calling upon them to meet on Monday, Nov. 3d, to elect Members of Congress, State and Parish officers. This card was signed J. Q. A. Fellows, (as Secretary) W. W. Pugh, as President; and Dr. E. Amos, as Vice President—all notoriously sympathizing with the rebellion. It allowed only three working days between the issuance of the call and the time of voting; it carried with it, however, not only the names of candidates to be voted for, but a statement of the qualification of electors; but no places of election were designated. The Secretary, &c., above named, were self-constituted commissioners of elections, to whom returns were to be made, and their certificates were, of course, to be authoritative. This "is a proceeding sufficiently impudent, all our readers will say, for a few private citizens to be engaged in; but the crowning act of audacity was the sending of the call an! the accompanying documents, to the Free State Committee, and asking their co-operation in this most open and bare-faced swindle. Very properly, that Committee, believing that three days' notice of a State election would hardly suffice to warn the voters in distant parishes of what was going on; that the statement of the qualifications of electors without reservations would be an openly disloyal, or those who refused to take the oath of allegiance, was insufficient to protect Union interest; that the self-appointed commissioners of elections, all quasi secessionists, and all proposing to exercise an important and delicate trust without responsibility to any authority whatever, would not be the safest hands in which to repose the welfare of Louisiana so far as it is connected with the General Government; and that the Constitutional Convention, a call for which is out, would be sufficient to take care of the State, peremptorily declined to accept the invitation, and plainly told the plotters that they were exceeding their authority. And here the tale ends. Nothing further has been heard.

But we heard nothing in saying that the election, thus called and thus engineered, will be held; that a few votes, and those mainly in parishes well known for their disloyalty, will be cast; that these Commissioners will grant their certificates to certain men who will claim to be members of Congress; that, when Congress meets, the claimants will be rejected by the House, and that the Copperhead journals, without care for the truth, for patriotism, for common decency even, will make the very heavens ring with denunciations of the Black Republican party, the Black Republican President, and the Black Republican majority in Congress, for their heartless perfidiousness and obduracy in keeping poor, injured Louisiana out in the cold. Mark the prediction!

THE REMOVAL OF GENERAL ROSECRANS.

Elsewhere, we print a long and detailed letter from the New York *Tribune*, touching the removal of Gen. Rosecrans. The writer—"Agate,"—is a well informed and reliable man, far removed from the class of sensation correspondents who never lay claim to truth, and whose end is only to provoke excitement. His letter may be looked upon as stating the case of the Administration against Rosecrans, with such defense as the conduct of the latter is capable of. It gives a full and clear statement of the inception, rise, progress, and culmination of the difficulties between the General and the War Department. The stories of drunkenness, opium eating, epileptic fits, mental disease and religious depression, are set down as malicious fabrications, while the real causes of the removal, as developed in the letter, may be briefly summed up as follows:

1. His delay after the battle of Stone River, from New Year's until June, when a movement of his army would have relieved our forces both East and West.

2. Another delay after the occupation of Tullahoma of a month and a half, which gave rise to a sharp and even bitter correspondence between Rosecrans and the Department, tending to widen the breach between them.

3. His military management of the Chickamauga campaign, the grounds for complaint in which will be found detailed at some length in the letter.

4. Leaving the army in the crisis of the battle of Chickamauga and "stampeding" to Chattanooga upon the reports of stragglers that Negley's troops upon the extreme left had been routed.

5. The contraction of his lines within Chattanooga and the abandonment of Lookout Mountain, by which he gave up his communications upon the south side of the Tennessee.

6. The last charge is complicity with Col. Truesdail of the Army Police, who is charged with being a disreputable officer, and a disagreement between himself and Gen. Grant.

These counts make the indictment against Gen. Rosecrans upon which the War Department have adjudged him incompetent for the military management of the Army of the Cumberland and relieved him of his command. We commend the letter to our readers as giving seemingly a fair, impartial statement of the case.

ILLINOIS COLORED REGIMENT.

For that rest to which it has been applied, "Bigger" has been a term of opprobrium and reproach long enough. The exploits of the colored troops within the war has put into the service of the United States, have shown that, in physical courage, in power of endurance, and in elevation of sentiment, persons of African descent are full grown men, entitled, before all the world, to the consideration that their services enable them to claim. We appeal to the colored men of Illinois to drive home and clinch the reputation of the soldiers that have emulated their race, and to prove to their own persons, as their brethren have elsewhere done, that beneath their skin rest the great qualities now needed by the Republic to defend itself against the assaults of its foes. The way is at last open. The opportunity is offered. An Illinois regiment of colored men is authorized, and whoever of African descent has proper pride of race will see that the authorization does not go for nought.

And a word to the whites: Here is a single long opportunity and literally downtrodden race, scattered in the South and parts in the Free States, just beginning to struggle for recognition as men. There is little room in the past way they should fight our battles or buy them free. Prejudice, pride, and the spirit of oppression are powerful forces against them, hope of obtaining a place for their children in the common school system and they are willing to spring to aid! There is great nobility in the position that they make. There is deep right and justice, there some

[illegible] by their fellow-citizens, in their seeking to honor all for the common good. Let them, the white folks, and the black folks, and the colored, not in good words alone, but in deeds, show what they are, what they go for, but in what they are willing to do, shall make them all they ask to become!

EGYPT.

We give the full vote of the recent election, from a number of counties in that part of our State south of the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers, which is now proved to be the classic ground of Egypt, compared with the vote of last year. It will be seen that the vote, notwithstanding the importance of these classic poetic descriptions, is almost as large as that of last year, when State officers and members of Congress were elected. In every instance, with a single exception, the Union vote is largely increased, while a corresponding decrease is visible in the copperhead vote, showing conclusively that a healthy change is going on in the convictions of the people of that part of our State:

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	Union.	Cop.	Union.	Cop.
Franklin	1,177	577	1,177	1,150
Jackson	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Jefferson	1,000	1,110	1,000	1,000
Perry	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
St. Clair	5,000	1,000	4,000	4,000
Richland	1,000	700	1,000	1,000
Wayne	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Washington	1,000	910	1,000	1,000
Perry	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	12,177	7,297	12,177	12,150
	4,880		27	

Total vote this year, 19,474. Total vote in 1860, 16,919. Union majority now, 881, Copperhead majority last year, 4,123. Union gain, in eight counties, 5,014. These are the only Egyptian counties in which we have the full vote. We have reports, that Chaklin, Hardin, Edwards, Johnson, Alexander, and several others of the Egyptian counties, have given Union majorities, and we shouldn't wonder if that region of country had really gone for the Union against the copperheads, an event that any youngster in swaddling clothes could never anticipated being a witness of, had he lived to threescore-and-ten.

RE-ENLISTMENT OF OLD TROOPS.

We see in the New York *Times* that the Excelsior Brigade, proposes, through its officers, to re-enlist in a body for an additional three years service, or during the war, on condition that the brigade is suffered to go to New York for sixty days to fill up its thinned companies and regiments to the minimum standard, and then to be put in as mounted infantry. The *Times* is mistaken in saying that this is the first body of troops that has thus evinced their patriotism. More than two months ago, the Eighth Illinois Cavalry, Colonel Gamble, made a formal proposition of this sort to the War Department, through Gen. Farnsworth; and the regiment is now in daily expectation of being ordered home. And the Twelfth Illinois Cavalry, imitating its older brother in arms, has made like offers, and very lately it has been called up to Washington certain that its offer will be accepted. The plan, and it is certainly patriotic, originated with Illinois soldiers, not with the Excelsior Brigade of New York; and for it our boys, than whom none are more deserving, should have credit.

JUSTICE TO A TRAITOR.

Two years ago, the loyal people of New York nominated and elected William B. Lewis, of Kings county, to the position of Treasurer of the State. Last year Seymour and his copperhead party carried the State. This made Lewis uneasy, and he couldn't tell exactly where to go. He wanted to be Treasurer for another term, so he finally concluded to take his cut into the copperhead camp. The copperheads embraced him, nominated him for another term, and the Unionists beat him by 35,000 majority. So good bye, Mr. Lewis.

☞ Except James Brooks, Fernando Wood, and Horatio Seymour, perhaps the meanest and most pestilent copperhead in New York State, is *Archbishop C. Nixon* of Sullivan county. He took it into his wicked head to run for Senator of the District composed of the counties of Orange and Sullivan, which in 1862 gave Seymour a majority of 1616. The result is that H. H. Low, (Union) beats Niven 70 majority.

First Regiment Illinois Colored Volunteers!

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COLORED MEN,

to be mustered into the United States service for three years or during the war, to be known as "First Regiment Illinois Colored Volunteers." The regiment will be clothed, armed and equipped in all respects the same as other volunteer regiments of the State.

Application will be made at the meeting of Congress, January 5th, for pay and rations, to be retroactive from date of enlistment, and I firmly believed that provision will be made at an early day placing colored soldiers on the same footing with other soldiers in respect to compensation and bounty.

COLORED MEN OF ILLINOIS!

the Government, at last, has given authority to organize a regiment of colored volunteers. Let the colored men share of the renown and glory being achieved by the white soldiers of this great State. Nothing will overcome so effectually the prejudice and animosity heretofore exhibited against your race, and nothing will do so much to repel the disgraceful black laws as a creditable record as soldiers in defense of Illinois soldiers. Now is your opportunity to prove yourselves valient and patriotic, and worthy of the rights and the freedom you desire to possess. You can conquer the prejudice of the white man that has so long weighed down your people in chains by valor on the battle-field—by devotion and sacrifice for your country, in this great struggle between the powers of freedom and slavery, light and darkness. Now is the day of your salvation. Come forward and prove yourselves men, and when the Union is saved you will be endowed by a grateful people with the rights pertaining to freedom.

Recruiting office in Chicago 205 South Clark street.

General rendezvous, Quincy, Illinois.

JOHN A. BAGBY.

N. B.—Papers in this state favorable to the object will please copy the above, and give it such editorial encouragement as they think injurious and criminal. If the Department had manifested that the services of colored men, as soldiers, would be accepted, and fortified himself at Chattanooga; that Middle Tennessee was cleared without fighting; that Tullahoma and Shelbyville were evacuated without a battle; that Bragg's army was in full retreat, and demoralized; that the rebels had left Knoxville; that Burnside was coming up from Kentucky; that Sherman was coming from Memphis; that Hooker was coming from Bridgeport; that Thomas was coming from Chattanooga, and that Grant was coming from Vicksburg, to form a junction with Rosecrans, and that the army was in good condition and spirit, and the country was ringing with the news of victory, the Administration would have been strengthened, and the Copperhead party would have been weakened in the estimation of the loyal men will be tenfold jealous of his interests.

The irritation and disintersection in the War Department and at the headquarters of the Army of the Cumberland, which the Rosecrans' removal, have been of slow growth and their origin is to be sought for many months back. Rosecrans came into Nashville, in October, by no means the pole or chief cause of the removal.

Let me attempt to enumerate the sources of this irritation in the order of time:

THE DELAY AFTER STONE RIVER—SHARP CORRESPONDENCE.

1. The War Department was first surprised, then anxious, and at last openly indignant at the delay after the victory of Stone River, which, in spite of every representation of the urgent necessity for action, stretched on to the month after month, from New Year till the last of June. In general terms it simplified thus: Here his army in good condition, he wasted at least five months doing nothing, while on either side of him our armies were sorely pressed, and his advance, by relieving them, would have won victories, not only in his own Department, but East and West, as well. It drew pertinaciously on his failure, notwithstanding the earnest appeals of the President, the War Department, the General-in-Chief and Gen. Grant, to move on Bragg at a time when that officer was known to be materially weakened by his sending reinforcements to reinforce Grant, at Vicksburg.

Out of this failure grew an irritating correspondence with the authorities, which, if not actually hastened, yet greatly aggravated the result. Without quoting (why the language of any one set of dispatches is scarce based) the tone and tenor of which this is a faithful reproduction: Secretary Stanton would telegraph, "I am very much dissatisfied with your long delay, and think, unless you move at once, the country cannot justify your course." Gen. Halleck would write, "I feel kindly to you, General, and have the highest respect for the abilities you have so signally displayed; but be assured that unless you move speedily, you will not understand the effects of this delay, at a time when the exigencies of the service so imperatively demand a movement." The reply would write, "I am very much grieved by your unaccountable delay. I am bound to believe that you, on the ground, are the best judge of what you can do; but you see how vitally important movement is, and you give me no reasons that seem to me satisfactory for your inaction." Stanton would answer, "I know what the country needs, and I know, too, what the army needs. Your last dispatch contained no allegations or pleas excuse. It has never been my habit to move into a place till I could stay there. If I am not competent to command the army in you can remove me; but while I remain in command I must use my own discretion, and move when I feel ready." Such messages as this, did not occur once or twice only, but frequently.

Sometimes it would happen that the War Department, irritated at the General's conduct, and not fully understanding the obstacles with which he was contending, would blame him severely for matters in which it was clear to every one who understood the case that he was not blameworthy. No one who knows his sensitiveness and impulsive disposition need be told how this injustice always lashed him into a fury, and how indignant and bearing it was to make.

This the delay after Stone River, and the irritating correspondence that grew out of it, delayed the initial cause of the War Department's dissatisfaction.

THE APOLOGIES FOR THE DELAY.

It is to be regretted that Gen. Rosecrans did not make to the Department thoroughly understood what reasons (whether sufficient or not) it is now known, he did have for the delay.

At the time the pressure for a forward movement to relieve Grant begun to be felt, he addressed a dozen or more letters to all his Corps and Cavalry Generals—fifteen in number—asking their opinion on three points: 1. Whether there had been any material weakening of Bragg's force. 2. Whether if there had been, it was sufficient for us to fight a successful battle. 3. Whether he, the General addressed, was in favor of an early or immediate advance. On the first point, the opinions were about equally divided; on the second most inclined to believe that we could not fight a successful battle; and every General answered the third by opposing an advance. One of them, Major Commander at that—went so far, after an advance had been finally decided upon, as to say that it would be the fearful and bloody mistake of Rosecrans' lifetime. It was no light thing to attempt a movement with every Department called to be more timid and hesitating than ever.

HOW FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND HELD SIXTY FIVE THOUSAND AT BAY.

Finally, however, on the 24th of June, nearly five and a half months after his great victory, Gen. Rosecrans decided to move. He is still delayed, and it seemed to the War Department, unreasonably; and it was not till the 23d that the army was put in motion. The Department now has the indisputable evidence, establishing beyond a possibility of doubt, that for weeks, if not months, before this movement was made, Bragg's army had been so weakened, by sending troops to Vicksburg, that he had but less than forty five thousand men of all arms remaining, while, exclusive of officers, Rosecrans had sixty five thousand. This evidence, it claims, was either in Gen. Rosecrans' possession or so certain to be in his hands that he should have acted on the supposition that it was for him the main body to be effectable.

But when he finally moved, against the wish of all his lieutenant generals, he handled the army so superbly, and made so successful a campaign, that it was supposed the country and the Department would be satisfied with his not moving sooner. Nothing would be forgotten in the brilliancy of his operations when he did move. Unfortunately, however, he had delayed till the June freshets were upon him. Bragg, retreating by turnpike and railroad, secured, while Rosecrans' army, encumbered with the long trains of supplies necessary to make the flank movement. Bragg was driven from nine miles of fortifications at Shelbyville, and from five miles at Tullahoma, and all Middle Tennessee was relieved without a battle, but the War Department would not forget that but for the delays of which it complained the movement would have escaped the first week, and Bragg would have been crushed in detail of crisis. Thus the foundation was laid for future disagreements and greater dissatisfaction, while no reasons had also been made of the term of Tullahoma.

THE DELAY AT TULLAHOMA—PEREMPTORY ORDERS TO MOVE.

2. Starting from the delay at Murfreesboro, the Department found another ground of complaint in the delay at Tullahoma. It insisted that, if he had not the right, he should have asked leave to go to Chattanooga, and it regarded his procrastination from the 1st of July to the middle of August as the most injurious and criminal. If the Department had manifested that the retreating army had turned, the troops delayed Middle Tennessee, and fortified himself at Chattanooga; that Middle Tennessee was cleared without fighting; that Tullahoma and Shelbyville were evacuated without a battle; that Bragg's army was in full retreat, and demoralized; that the rebels had left Knoxville; that Burnside was coming up from Kentucky; that Sherman was coming from Memphis; that Hooker was coming from Bridgeport; that Thomas was coming from Chattanooga, and that Grant was coming from Vicksburg, to form a junction with Rosecrans, and that the army was in good condition and spirit, and the country was ringing with the news of victory in Tennessee

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THE WAR IN VIRGINIA.

BATTLE OF RAPPAHANNOCK STATION.

COMPLETE VICTORY OF THE UNION FORCES.

[From the Washington Chronicle.]

IN OUR FIELD, RAPPAHANNOCK STATION, NOVEMBER 8, 1863.

Saturday, the 8th instant, long before the gray dawn had gathered in the early morn, our column of infantry moved toward the Rappahannock. It was a cheerless morning, one of those mysterious obstacles which seem specially designed to try the resolution of men. Having marched hastily through the mud 24 miles long the night before, and halted 24 hours for rest, we were ready for the fray. At 7 o'clock, or thereabouts, we came in sight of the rebel outposts and drove them upon their main reserve. We instantly advanced to Mount Holy Church, and, to our great surprise, the rebels were not effected, drawn back to the other side of the river. It was now about 8 o'clock in the morning, and we distinctly observed the enemy in front of Rappahannock Station in our (Kelly's) field, about 2 o'clock, or thereabouts, we had driven the rebel outposts and drove them upon their main reserve. We instantly advanced to Mount Holy Church, and, to our great surprise, the rebels were not effected, drawn back to the other side of the river. It was now about 8 o'clock in the morning, and we distinctly observed the enemy in front of Rappahannock Station in our (Kelly's) field. About 2 o'clock, or thereabouts, our cavalry charged

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1868.

THE CITY.

A CONFLAGRATION AT CAMP DOUGLAS.

Six Hundred Feet of Barracks Destroyed.

Government Loss $3,500.

Eleven Hundred Dollars in Greenbacks Burned.

[illegible] one night last week yesterday afternoon [illegible] breakfast in the officer's barracks of the Invalid Corps—the fire taking problably a story pipe—there being no one in the room at the time the fire occurred. The wind being a strong gale from the westward, and the flames with great rapidity along the [illegible] building, until between five and six hundred feet of the barracks in the northeast corner of the enclosure were consumed, together with nearly 1,000 feet of the new fence, just completed.

Among the losses, besides the buildings, are all the guns and equipments belonging to Co. D, except five, and some of the property belonging to Co. E. Mr. Finley, who had a tailor's store in this line of buildings, lost her stock of goods, worth about $400, and some $1,100 in greenbacks, and narrowly escaped from being burned herself, in the effort to save her property. The loss to the Government will be about $3,500—the total loss, say $5,000.

As soon as the fire broke out, the prisoners mustered a flagpoles to take advantage of what they considered a capital opportunity to escape; but Col. DeLand, with his usual coolness and foresight, at once armed additional guards and stationed them at all exposed points, and placed the prisoners into their barracks—some of the more reckless of Morgan's men declined going, but giving the orders, "ready—aim," the cook concluded it was time to leave before they were fired into, and they scattered for their quarters in "double quick."

This was an exciting time at Camp Douglas—all the boys in blue had their hands full—all to check a raging element, and the raging rebels at the same instant, but they accomplished it with a remarkably slight loss, considering the circumstances. It is only a matter of surprise, that all the wrecks on the center and of the enclosure, including the officers' headquarters were not destroyed, as the wind was blowing so furiously and heat so intense that the flames were constantly led to the oak trees on the opposite side of the fence, east of the camp-grounds; and they were in great danger last evening. There are no active fire-engines nearer than Old street, over the little, hand-engine No. 9, at the Illinois Central Car Works, which is unreliable, owing to lack in both quantity and quality of hose, [illegible] a great need of a first-class steam fire-engine in the southern part of the city.

No prisoners are known to have escaped but it possible four or five of those who were at work outside upon the fence, may have made their escape during the excitement.

The fence will be replaced by tonight and the wrecks rebuilt with as little delay as possible. In the meantime an efficient guard will prevent a rushbreak by the "rebs."

MARKABLE PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENTS.

View of the Intelligence Business.

TIMES EDITOR TURNED SHYLOCK.

[illegible] Davis, Esq., appeared before Judge [illegible] in his office on Clark street, as prosecutor for false imprisonment, in the case of Miller [illegible] Sherwood and Rock.

The following [illegible] was sworn to by Miller: Sherwood was an Intelligence Office agent, and [illegible] place of business on the corner of Madison and Dearborn streets. Mr. Sherwood said he did get any one a situation—or use his best efforts to do so—who would endeavor him a one dollar bill. Miller, who it appears was, at this time, a 6's situation, sent the required money to Sherwood, but hesitated as many thousand of the men, which he had been hoping for. [illegible] enough to obtain a situation, [illegible] exertions, at Lockport, and proceeded, coming to Chicago, had an interview with Sherwood, who said he was very hard, telling what a sum of money fellow this Miller was, in appearance, to take him in as a partner, and do for him in the most approved fashion. It was a hard, however, with Sherwood, was not anxious to take in, and he proposed to Lockport a poor fellow, but hesitated to consider it in Chicago, as the respectable "Co." in Sherwood's corners on the corner of Madison and Dearborn streets. Sherwood, however, was not in a position to be very young man who was in his character, and so evidently blind to his own interests. He wrote him a letter in which he stated that he was doing a prodigious business, and only needed a partner like Miller to make sure of a fortune. At the same time he was offering Miller a full partnership at such terms that the young greenhorn could no longer accede to them.

He came once more, therefore, to Chicago, and the terms of agreement were drawn up by one Mr. Rock, who acts as Commercial Editor of the Times, and who represented himself on this occasion as a regularly qualified lawyer. The terms were these: That Miller should pay the enormous sum of sixty-eight and a half dollars, and that in consideration of this sum, and Miller's services, the profits of the establishment should be equally divided between the two partners; and that from that time forth, the Chicago and all the people of the Northwest, should know the unmatch Intelligence Office as being backed by the redoubtable name of D. E. Sherwood & Co.!

Behold the "co." thus so hastily established as one of the great business men of the city! In a few days after the instrument, he went to the Post Office to see what letters there were—and found one, with a dollar bill enclosed in each of them. These he carried to the Intelligence office and registered them properly upon the books, claiming one of the dollars as his share, as an equal partner. To this, however, Mr. Sherwood demurred. He insisted upon his right to both the dollars, claiming that he had advanced in the transactions, had taken place before the partnership. Miller protested, and claimed that all monies from whatever source they might come, should now be divided according to the terms of the agreement. The matter ended, however, that Miller had to give up his share, not without giving Sherwood to understand that it was a "swindle," and that he would be even with him.

Some days after, Sherwood went down to the Post Office, and found another letter with another dollar in it, and still later on in the day, more good fortune of the same sort; both letters being directed to the firm, and not to either member of it. These two dollars Miller put into his own pocket as a set off against the two dollars above alluded to, which he claims Sherwood "swindled" him out of. Whereupon Sh. revived accused him of theft; and he said these two letters himself to the Post Office, as a trap wherein to catch the supposed thief. Miller was accordingly to be taken as a partner! Sherwood had taken care, however, to have Mr. Rock, Commercial Editor of the Times, and self-constituted legal adviser to the firm, present, when he made this proposition. Mr. Rock, it seems, is a terrible man, and when Sherwood made his charge—the very remarkable charge of theft against his new legal partner!—Rock, assuming the attitude, and the language of a gentleman belonging to the Chicago Times, and an honorable who claimed to belong to the Chicago Bar—called upon Miller to own up! told him it was no use his trying to deny it; (which it appears he never had done;) told him that he put the money in the letters himself—that he was a hypocrite in the Post Office Department, and that he had A Constable down below who would take him to prison, unless he would agree to certain terms of compromise which Sherwood would dictate to the "rube."

All this happened in the office of Sherwood & Co.—Miller, the accused, being the "Co." accused, then fore, of stealing from himself, as his counsel said in Court! Miller, being a veritable greenhorn, and a young man of good family, was fed at the terrible Rock, and the idea of the Constable down stairs. He, therefore, told them he was sorry, to take all he had, but not to lock him up—it was so very mortifying to his cousin in the dark! He then flung his two dollars on the table, which he had taken, as he said, to frame the two dollars out of which Sherwood had "did" him—being him he meant to have that money over. And if he had told him so at first, he said, [illegible]

Then Sherwood and Rock stepped out of the office, and talked in private for a few minutes. When they returned, Rock told Sherwood to make out the bill, which, on his part, he agreed to settle with Mr. [illegible] Miller, behind the door, and put the key in his pocket. Miller had previously tried to get out of the office, but Rock had prevented him, and had told him he had better stay and settle with him. It was no use his trying to get out any longer, he said.

After some conferring between Sherwood and Rock, the bill was made out, and Miller was made to be called in—to the effect that Miller should give up all he had put into the concern, that is to say, sixty-eight and a half dollars—plus three twenty dollars which somehow had crept in, and which was charged for a year and some to thousand of three dollars each—and should sign a note for the balance, payable in one year, and be discharged forever from all claims of Sherwood & Co., commercial editor of the Times, and the Invalid Corps, and the Constable down stairs, on the payment of the sum of $100 in cash, and the signing of the note.

Miller was then called in, and the terms of the bill were read to him, and he was asked if he would sign the note. He said he would not, and was then told that he was a fool, and that he had better do it, and that he would be even with him. He was then told that he was a fool, and that he had better do it, and that he would be even with him. He was then told that he was a fool, and that he had better do it, and that he would be even with him. He

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It has been an enterprise that has doubly blessed and honored its originators, managers and the people upon whose unflinching loyalty all its glorious drafts were honored. It is quite time to give credit due for such a result. And first, it is not to be arrogated as a Chicago institution. We may well feel a pride in the manner in which our city has crafted and fostered the scheme. We may not even insist on a strict interpretation of the appellation of the Fair. It was *Northwestern* only by loyalty. We cannot forget that on its altar were laid contributions stirring the kindred sympathy of all our Northern States. The daily published lists of contributions have sufficiently impressed this upon our readers, and the spectacle gains in power and interest from the fact.

With this splendid result the whole people are to be credited, and their great offering of sympathy and aid to the army of the Union and of Freedom will shine long after the turf has smoothed our soldiers' fields, and peace has turned our camps foundress to the uses of her mechanic arts. It will prove their resources by the wealth of the offering, and give a key for the historian to unlock the secret of our successful coping with our national peril. From Maine to Minnesota, the manufactures of the East and West, the glass and iron of Pittsburg, the products of the prairies, the dainty handiwork of the wives and daughters of homes scattered from the seaboard to the western border, the Great Fair was the result of all, gathered from all, a grand proof of unity and harmony directed of local pride and jealousy. Chicago is honored in that it has been thus made temporarily a focus of loyalty, and sympathy with the cause of Union in case its defenders.

And the loyal press deserve credit for the earnestness with which they have kept this enterprise before the people. Our readers may have wearied with the apparent sameness of the appeals made through our columns. They cannot know to do we, by means of our exchanges, that a similar faithfulness of purpose in the loyal press, from Maine to Minnesota, has been freely advertising this Fair for weeks past in their columns. No less powerful an agency, and only thus powerfully exerted could have given point and direction to the popular sympathy the result of which now stands splendidly recorded in this Fair. And now ever the loyal press must share of the record too enormous for the mere willing columns, the honorable mention of those to whose individual efforts credit is due. The list would read like pages torn from the directories of the various one city and town on either side the lakes, were it the custom to give the fairer halves of our households a place in these compilations. We know where we might begin in our own city, but we should scarcely know where to stop, lest in the name of some self sacrificing woman, worn by the labor of the past fortnight in connection with the Fair might not stand among her peers. Let it pass then accredited to Loyal Womanhood, the general exponent of the great national heart.

Then much of the machinery for the collection of this sacred fund. Scarce need to speak of the already tried and tested mechanism of disbursement, the Sanitary Commission whose name will live in the soldier's memory and go down the history with the deeds of the Army of the Union. In their hands this fresh offering will share the courage that has already blessed our soldiers in the ramps, and manifested at the hospital, and proved in saving the horrors of the battle field, with a quality of mercy and benificence in others angels might envy.

PAY WAGES, AND THE CRUEL WAR WILL STOP.

It is a fact, confessed by all honest men, that this war could and would be stopped in a day if the people of the South should unanimously and sincerely declare that they would hereafter be only commonly honest and pay a day's wages for a day's work. Saying that, there would remain no motive for them to carry it on. They commenced it only that they might have more laborers to toil for them without pay, and more land upon which laborers might work. That's the exact truth stripped of all its disguises, and in plain English. At the bottom, the war is a question of the Wages of Labor—nothing else nor more. The laboring man, then, no matter what his color or condition, who imagines that he can safely take the ground with the South, and thus practically maintain that a day's work is not always and everywhere worthy of its reward, knows nothing of the base and far reaching effect of the principle to which he is committed. He is a fool, whom nothing but the whisper of wise men will save from bondage, which lords or fools is all the while seeking to impose. Men of toil! this is your question, and upon it, very it is settled, depending, condition and the continuance of your children. It is the foundation stone, the very vital principle of our Government, which is this: "Before God and the law, in whatever pertains to my rights as a man, I am as good as you; you are as good as I am. I will not trench upon your rights; you must not trench upon mine." That's the bonded Union among the American people, and which it is accused by the success of the South in its impious assertion. "You in whatever pertains to the rights of men are not, before God and the law, as good as I am, and hence than you are, I will trench upon your rights—your right to your labor, the right of ownership of yourself; your shall not trench upon mine," there is not vitality enough in the Republic nor in the professions of Democracy which underlie it, to save our government from rolling down into despotism or anarchy as quickly as a mushroom decays. The cry of "Negro! Negro!" which points to a variation from our standard of rate and beauty, in the color of the dusky skin, no more affects the principle that we speak, than the cry of "Indian! Indian!" in pointing a Republican Government from our own, affects it. It is a cheap cry to conceal an idle day's work. It is a cheap cry to conceal a dollar which only he who toils should have. It is a cheap cry to mislead in the same way, if he believes it, our laborers from taking sides against the Slave Power, which would make them all, black and white, hewers of wood and drawers of water to its behoof. Men of toil, we speak to you, all that we have uttered from the war country and from the Capital, and we say to you, that if you will but pay a day's wages for a day's work, the war will stop.

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It is a fact, confessed by all honest men, that this war could and would be stopped in a day if the people of the South should unanimously and sincerely declare that they would hereafter be only commonly honest and pay a day's wages for a day's work. Saying that, there would remain no motive for them to carry it on. They commenced it only that they might have more laborers to toil for them without pay, and more land upon which laborers might work. That's the exact truth stripped of all its disguises, and in plain English. At the bottom, the war is a question of the Wages of Labor—nothing else nor more. The laboring man, then, no matter what his color or condition, who imagines that he can safely take the ground with the South, and thus practically maintain that a day's work is not always and everywhere worthy of its reward, knows nothing of the base and far reaching effect of the principle to which he is committed. He is a fool, whom nothing but the whisper of wise men will save from bondage, which lords or fools is all the while seeking to impose. Men of toil! this is your question, and upon it, very it is settled, depending condition and the continuance of your children. It is the foundation stone, the very vital principle of our Government, which is this: "Before God and the law, in whatever pertains to my rights as a man, I am as good as you; you are as good as I am. I will not trench upon your rights; you must not trench upon mine." That's the bonded Union among the American people, and which it is accused by the success of the South in its impious assertion. "You in whatever pertains to the rights of men are not, before God and the law, as good as I am, hence than you are, I will trench upon your rights—your right to your labor, the right of ownership of yourself; your shall not trench upon mine," there is not vitality enough in the Republic nor in the professions of Democracy which underlie it, to save our government from rolling down into despotism or anarchy as quickly as a mushroom decays. The cry of "Negro! Negro!" which points to a variation from our standard of rate and beauty, in the color of the dusky skin, no more affects the principle that we speak, than the cry of "Indian! Indian!" in pointing a Republican Government from our own, affects it. It is a cheap cry to conceal an idle day's work. It is a cheap cry to conceal a dollar which only he who toils should have. It is a cheap cry to mislead in the same way, if he believes it, our laborers from taking sides against the Slave Power, which would make them all, black and white, hewers of wood and drawers of water to its behoof

Chicago Tribune.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1862.

The news from every state or more counts a decided success all the rebel assailants. The figures have thus far not the hold they can do for the Gamblers, who stick to the end policy, the small advantage gained by these policy in their own fields will be complete by a good one by the returns from the larger portions of the State. It is now conceded even by their bitterest opponents that the radical candidates for the Supreme Bench, Messrs. Clover, Rickel and Wayne are elected. The soldier boys are yet to hear from, and the straight out loyal side cannot fall short of from five to seven thousand majority, and will probably exceed it. Good and glorious for Missouri!

From Gen. Thomas' army our news is to yesterday. The situation is without change. The rumor comes afresh of Bragg's withdrawal of his forces from our front. This brings us by coincidence to another rumor.

The rebel army in Virginia has fallen away before our advance, and is not only without morale, but without a leader. Lee having been sent to take command before Chattanooga, and his place being filled by a man of straw, who signs Lee to official orders.

Let us say that we have been warned by past experience not to trust these rumors of weakness of the enemy, and our main hope is that our military authorities give them no credence, and base upon them no action that may prove our undoing if the report proves false. The rebels are a wily and dangerous foe, and we get along best with them when their fighting qualities are best appreciated and so provided for. If we warn our readers to receive all this class of rumors with caution, we shall so best prepare them for events in store. It is very easy from any stand point to infer what must [illegible] — more difficult to common philosophy to bear disaster, for which we are wholly unprepared.

There is a great battle to be fought, and a decisive victory to be gained over these rebels before we end this war with their subjugation. All these preliminary adjuncts of starvation and demoralization may do very well to take the bumper out of the enemy, but it will not do to trust these alone.

The election news from this State, Wisconsin and Missouri continues to grow in importance as a complete crushing out of copperheads. The snake organ in Springfield, the *Register* has changed hands and been driven into a new hole. Consternation and dismay sit upon the faces of the recently defiant crew of disloyal peace men. "Had Zimri peace who slew his master?" Not Zimri.

The work of recruiting negroes makes good progress. In Maryland it will soon be quite unfashionable for gentlemen of color to wear anything but blue, and if the same law sets upon the faces of some of their masters, it will be all the more satisfactory, as showing that the cure is a radical one. It is always satisfactory to see medicine operate. The black army of Maryland will overawe all white disloyalty, and will hold the stars and stripes aloft until the soil beneath them is restored to loyalty. In Tennessee the same work is progressing, and under a complete system, which will leave no portion of the enterprise incomplete. Last, but not least, Ben. Butler has arrived at Fortress Monroe, and rebel slave property in that department will experience a tumble. A few months hence we shall have an immense army of blacks in the field.

The American Premier, Wm. H. Seward, delivered a speech at Auburn, on the eve of the New York election, in which he announces the sentiments of himself and the Administration on the issue involved in the war. The speech will be widely read, and considerable importance will be attached to the outgivings of the Secretary on the occasion. We are convinced that it more nearly reflects the views of the President than anything Seward has said since the war began, and it will be more satisfactory to the old friends of the Secretary than anything he has publicly uttered since he has taken his seat in the Cabinet.

HINTS OF A PROGRAMME.

We have heard much of late, and perhaps have written something of the doctrinal differences between the Copperheads of the East and the Copperheads of the West. A statement of these differences we understand them, is to day sufficient: "While the fire-in-the-rear journals in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa, do not profess any reverence for the "Constitution as it is, and the Union as it was," and while the authoritative assemblages of the party in those States have committed the rank and file to,

I. A withdrawal of our Federal forces from the South, and the territory claimed by the bogus Confederacy, including Maryland, Delaware, Kentucky, and Missouri;

II. To peace deputations to Richmond, or to Peace Conventions on the Border, to insure a cessation of hostilities on any terms; and,

III. To such changes in the Constitution as the rebels may demand, for the sake of giving slavery a [illegible] tenure of power in the Republic, and a degree of influence that its stoutest advocate never claimed;

—While the West clearly expresses its willingness for these, and, by implication, for each of the heroisms which Vallandigham and his co-laborers have preached, New York and New England, if Seymour and his "friends" can be believed, are,

I. For the Constitution according to their interpretation, with certain reservations to shield the New York rioters;

II. For the war and a vigorous prosecution thereof, without, however, any provision for mission, volunteering or drafting;

III. For such an honorable peace as Wood, Synders, Seymour & Co., can obtain without the assistance of any Black Republican President, Congress or army and,

IV. For the restoration of the Union as it was, at any hazard, provided always, the Democratic party comes uppermost, and the power of slavery as a political engine is perpetuated.

This, we take it, is an entirely fair and dispassionate statement of the doctrinal differences at which we have hinted. If our readers should see that they amount only to shifting way of putting the old quarrel between Democrats and Democrats, and that of the two factions referred to, that of the West is the less dangerous because its treason is on the surface, and openly proclaimed, let them not blame us. Seymour and Vallandigham are of a party; and though the journals and conventions of the bosom of one may say one thing and another publicly suppose the one or the other may be the organ of the other, they all serve a common purpose and that of opposition to the Government and aid and comfort to the rebellion.

WHERE CONFIDENCE REPOSES.

The country turns from Seward to Congress, the channel being fresh from the ranks of the people, is entirely into positive law, its wishes in relation to the program of the war. To put into the hands of the Executive not his subordinates of the Cabinet and the army, all the power necessary to make the policy that may be adopted vigorous and energetic, all the people that are needed to give weight and efficiency to our power upon the rebel foe; and all the money and men that may be called to the service of the Republic. The country is with the President, and the country is with the Congress, and the Congress will place the power in the hands of the President, and the country will support the President and Congress in the use of all means that may be demanded for the rebellion.

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There is little danger of going too far. The country has pronounced most unmistakably and emphatically in favor of a continuance of the struggle into which it has been forced, and it expects and demands that all the power, all the agencies and all the ability that can be brought to bear upon the contest shall be lavished. It has approved the confiscation of rebel property, the proclamation of emancipation, the employment of negro troops, the necessity of taxation and the rightfulness of the draft. These questions were all at issue in the great political contests that have been fought; and they have all been decided for the Administration. Now for the joint efforts of the Congress and the Executive to bring the war to a close!

We are warned from various quarters that the approaching session is to be a mere caucus of President-makers, and that the business of the country is to be subordinated to the hopes and ambition of politicians. The copperhead press are jubilant over the endless complications and discouraging prospect that such folly would open up. But we believe that the prophets of evil will be disappointed. Surely the country is superior to any one of its citizens; and to save it will be the recognized duty of all.

EFFECT OF THE EMANCIPATION POLICY OF THE BORDER STATES.

The Emancipation policy of the President has been ferociously assailed by the copperheads of the North ever since it was promulgated. The objection most strongly urged was that it would alienate the border States from the Union and drive them inevitably into rebellion. Many patriotic men were made to believe that such would inevitably be the consequence, if the President adhered to his policy. But what has been the result? Have the border States been exasperated into revolt? Have they seceded and joined the Confederacy? The wisdom of the President's policy has been made manifest to all men. The edict of emancipation has fixed the border States irrevocably in the Union. It has put an end to the desire to secede. It has caused the citizens to resolve to abolish slavery and make them free States. Missouri led off. A large majority of the people demanded the abolition of the rebellion breeding institution, and the issue now is whether it shall be gradually got rid of, or ended outright. The friends of a summary riddance seem to be in the majority.

The people of Maryland have just rendered a verdict by 35,000 majority that slavery is no longer fit to live in that State, and that it must speedily die. The State is more ardently Union this day than Illinois. Delaware has come to the same resolution and this week will pronounce the doom of slavery within her borders. One of the first acts of West Virginia was to abolish slavery, and the last was to elect three radical anti-slavery men to Congress. Last August Kentucky gave fifty thousand majority against copperhead Wickliffe and for unconditional Union. The people have thus solemnly pledged themselves to stand by the Federal Government, slavery or no slavery. It is very probable that before the next General Election passes they will conclude to follow the glorious example of the other border States, and decree Emancipation.

Even in Tennessee, which belongs to the Middle Slave States, the Union men with Gov. Johnson at their head have pronounced for Emancipation, and the cause is gaining strength every day, and are long the infernal practice will cease in the land of the Hermitage.

Now these are hard, obvious, undeniable facts. The Emancipation policy of the President has not caused any border State to try or wish to leave the Union. On the contrary, it has induced the citizens to take steps to assimilate their domestic institutions with those of the great free sisterhood of the North, and to cling to the Union more firmly than ever. The policy of Emancipation has given the Administration more strength than 200,000 soldiers, without it, would bring. When the rebellion broke out there were but nineteen States voluntarily loyal and unconditionally for the Union. The Emancipation policy has added four to the number, and a twelve month hence it will have added five more. Before Mr. Lincoln has served out his second term it will have added the remaining six. The Union will then be "all one thing." The house will no longer be "divided against itself." The irrepressible conflict" will be forever ended. The demon of discord will be exorcised, and permanent peace will bring healing and happiness on her wings. How much of the credit will be due to the copperheads?

THE WAR AND COPPERHEADS.

The Raleigh (N. C.) *Standard*, which was destroyed by the rebel soldiery, has been re-established and has resumed publication. The renowned "Davidson," author of the articles in favor of submission to the Union, is out with another powerful argument against secession, which has produced great excitement in North Carolina, many defending and many denouncing it. Late telegraphic advices from Newbern state that

The *Standard* appeals to the "Conservatives" to rally at the polls, and unite against the "Destructives" on election day, and adds that there is no chance for peace until the original secessionists are hurled from power.

In alluding to the recent defeat of the copperheads in Ohio and Pennsylvania, the *Standard* says the last ray of hope for the South from the North has departed; that the North is headed behind the South by immense majorities; that the war will go on and be prosecuted by the Federal Government as a matter of business; that Mr. Lincoln will be re-elected; that the prospects of peace are more distant than ever; that the Southern people stand alone and in the attitude of defiance, and that they had better make peace either with Providence or the North very soon.

Here we have some of the first fruits of our recent Union triumphs at the polls. Their effect is to discourage the rebels and encourage those who are sick and weary of the contest. The copperhead victories last fall procrastinated the war one year. If the elections last fall had gone as they have this fall, the war would now be ended and peace restored. But the success of the copperheads instead of new hopes into the rebels, and enabled the leaders to persuade the masses that Lincoln's Administration would not be able to continue the war; that the Peace Democrats would shortly put a stop to it; that Congress would be copperhead; and would refuse to vote supplies for the support of the army; that the draft could not be enforced, and that the next Presidential election would hurl the Republicans from power, and return a doughface to the White House who would make peace with the rebels on their own terms, granting their independence, and dividing the Union on the line of Mason and Dixon; and if the North longer hesitated, foreign intervention would step forward and compel them to acknowledge the independence of the Confederates. Such were the flattering prospects that danced before the imaginations of the rebels as the result of the copperhead success at the polls. It enabled Jeff. Davis to enforce a sweeping, slave-born conscription, which goaded into the ranks of the last man fit to bear arms within the limits of rebeldom. And by means of this last tremendous effort the rebel chiefs have been able to beat back our armies, and hold at bay the utmost efforts of our brave soldiers.

But the October and November elections are opening the eyes of the Southern people. They perceive that the North is resolved to go on with the war, and make a business of it until the rebellion is crushed; that foreign intervention is hopeless; that the Administration will be continued in power four years longer, in order that old Abe may have time to "finish up his big job." Hence, the feeling is beginning to diffuse itself among the masses of the rebels that they had better make peace either with Providence or the North very soon, as it is fully to continue the struggle. Northern unity is what is required to compel a peace speedily; and Northern unity, we believe, is what has precipitated the bloody [illegible] so long.

As a matter of retributive justice it is but right that England, who has been so hard upon us during the child of her trouble, should have a taste herself of the miseries, which in our case, she has so heartily derided. There is, indeed, a sort of Nemesis in affairs of this kind, which neither people, nor nations, can avert. We find, accordingly, that the jeers and contempt wherewith the British Government assailed us on account of the rebellion, have scarcely ceased hissing on their lips, when notes of revolt, and defiance come to them from far off India, from New Zealand, and even from their most loyal colonies of Canada.

It is as if the cold-blooded logic which that Government indulged in at our expense, respecting the right of the Southern rebels to be treated as belligerents, and consequently their prior right to revolt, had been preached with a loud voice by the enemies of England to all those colonies simultaneously, and that the Indians who had not forgotten the sack of Delhi, and the blowing of Sepoy soldiers—prisoners of war!—out of the cannon's mouth—and the Maoris, who remembered the iniquitous origin of the New Zealand war, and the ease with which they disposed of the forces sent against them, had seized with avidity upon the English Government's argument in favor of the rebellion, and given them a practical demonstration of its efficacy.

There, at all events is the fact, and the English, who laughed at us, will find that in dealing with it they have got hold of no laughing matter. The Indian revolt appears to be wide-spread, and to have its roots in the colonial hatred of their conquerors. The New Zealand outbreak, so soon after the late war, indicates that the local government has given fresh grounds for another and a more determined struggle. It also is universal, and the divisions amongst the native chiefs have been healed, that they may the more effectively carry on the war. Seven thousand five hundred Maoris are opposed to five thousand British soldiers, and both sides are animated by the spirit of utter extermination.

So that England has got her hands full. She has proclaimed that rebellion is right, and we hope she will find it so.

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COPPERHEAD CHEEK.

Said the Augusta (Georgia) *Constitutionalist*, of Sept. 9th:

TO BEATEN PEACE PARTY.—Our people will recollect that two or three or more months ago we heard a great deal, and that continually, of the wonderful things the peace men of the North are going to do. Many in our midst built strong hopes of peace on the action of the malcontents in Lincoln's realm. Many even were proposing terms of peace, inviting the Northwest to a free and independent, and actually going so far as to ask the Northwestern States to abandon New England and the Middle States, and unite with us upon our pro-slavery Constitution. But since about the Fourth of July, since the capitulation of Vicksburg and the retreat from Pennsylvania, we have heard scarcely a whisper of peace from beyond the Potomac. The people of the United States have been elated at their success, and have gone crazy again on the subjugation of crushing the rebellion and subjugating the seceded States.

If this was the delicious strain after the copperhead defeat at Vicksburg, what song will the copperheads of the South sing after the not less important defeats in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and New York? Will not the key note be found in Jeremiah?

IT WAS AND IS TRUE.

A little copperhead journal, down in the country, on the borders of rebeldom, manifests indubitable rage because the TRIBUNE holds that the war arises out of a question of wages of labor, and that when the people of the South agree to lay aside their whips and branding-irons, and to always pay a day's wages for a day's work, the war will end. Oh copperhead, this is all true as we stated it: and what you have been only nine days a patriot, and your eyes are opened, you too will see that we are not mistaken!

ILLINOIS ELECTION.

Union Majority in 57 Counties, 21,127

The following is the result of the recent election in fifty-seven counties, compared with the same counties in 1861:

Counties.	1862. Union.	1862. Cop.	1861. Union.	1861. Cop.
Adams	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Brown	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bureau	1,400	[illegible]	1,158	[illegible]
Calhoun	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Clinton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cass	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cook	4,000	[illegible]	1,721	[illegible]
Dewitt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Douglas	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Edwards	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Effingham	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fayette	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ford	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fulton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gallatin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Grundy	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hancock	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hardin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Iroquois	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jo Daviess	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jefferson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kane	1,700	[illegible]	1,210	[illegible]
Kankakee	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
LaSalle	1,641	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Livingston	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Logan	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
McDonough	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
McHenry	1,800	[illegible]	1,119	[illegible]
Macon	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
McLean	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Madison	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Marshall	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mason	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Morgan	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Moultrie	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Montgomery	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Peoria	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Putnam	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rock Island	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Richland	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sangamon	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Shelby	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Stephenson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Scott	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tazewell	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Vermilion	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Warren	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Whiteside	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	1,251	[illegible]
Will	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Washington	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
57 Counties	28,697	7,570	21,720	10,481

Union majority, 21,127. Copperhead majority last year in same counties, 4,770. Union gain, **26,097.**

We published yesterday returns from fifty-seven counties which (corrected) foot up a Union majority of **21,127**, and a Union gain over last year of **26,060**. We add the following counties:

Counties.	1862. Union.	1862. Cop.	1861. Union.	1861. Cop.
Cass	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fulton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Knox	1,811	[illegible]	1,336	[illegible]
Lawrence	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pike	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	1,811	[illegible]	1,336	1,697

Union majority in five counties, 681. Union gain, 1,310. Union majority in sixty-two counties, **21,788**. Union gain in the same counties, **27,370**. The Union majority in Illinois will not be less than **30,000**.

WISCONSIN ELECTION.

Majority in 40 Counties 15,634.

Counties	1862. Union.	1862. Democ.	1861. Harvey.	1861. Fer.
Adams	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Brown	[illegible]	600	[illegible]	[illegible]
Columbia	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	1,154	[illegible]
Dodge	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dane	[illegible]	[illegible]	400	[illegible]
Dodge	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1,[illegible]
Fond du Lac	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Grant	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Green	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Green Lake	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Iowa	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jefferson	[illegible]	180	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jackson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Juneau	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kenosha	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
La Crosse	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Milwaukee	[illegible]	2,[illegible]	[illegible]	1,[illegible]
Monroe	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Marquette	[illegible]	100	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ozaukee	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Portage	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Racine	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sauk	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sheboygan	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Walworth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Waukesha	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Waupaca	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Waushara	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Winnebago	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wood	[illegible]	50	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
40 Counties	28,[illegible]	7,[illegible]	14,[illegible]	4,[illegible]

Union majority in 40 counties 15,634. Union majority in 1861 in the same counties 4,504. Union gain 9,960.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Union majority in Massachusetts will be about 20,000, which is big enough for all practical purposes. In the Legislature, the Senate stands unanimously Union. In the House, the relative strength of the parties is, 237 Unionists to 112 copperheads.

THE WAR IN VIRGINIA.

The Enemy Driven Back Across the Rappahannock.

BRILLIANT SUCCESS OF OUR FORCES WITH GREAT LOSS TO THE REBELS.

We Capture Nearly 2,000 Prisoners.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—It appears from information received here to-night that yesterday morning the 9th and 6th Army Corps, under command of Major General Sedgwick, advanced to Rappahannock Station. They, having the right wing of the army, the 1st, 2d and 3d Army Corps forming the left wing, under command of Major General French, proceeded to Kelly's Ford. When the right wing reached the Rappahannock, the enemy was found to be in considerable force, holding this side of the river. The rebel batteries, earthworks and redoubts crowned the banks on each side of the Rappahannock. Gen. Sedgwick at once advanced and stormed them with great gallantry and impetuosity, gaining much daughter and taking a large number of prisoners.

When Gen. French reached Kelly's Ford, about six miles below Rappahannock Station, the enemy threw across an entire division to support their picket line on this side. Gen. French hastily took a position so as to bring his artillery to bear upon them, and shelled them with marked effect, not only killing a large number, but throwing them into utter confusion, scattering them wildly, and taking many prisoners.

Gen. Buford's cavalry crossed at Sulphur Springs to cover the right flank, several miles above Rappahannock Station, and Gens. Gregg and Kilpatrick crossed below Kelly's Ford to cover the left flank. No definite information of the operations had been received up to noon to-day. The enemy after crossing the Rappahannock under cover of the night, moved in the direction of Culpepper, and the advance of our forces, supposed to be cavalry, reached Brandy Station early to-day.

The right wing of our whole line advanced, and, no doubt, pressed rapidly forward after the retreating foe. The entire number of prisoners taken by both Sedgwick and French, is now believed to be 1,800. The prisoners are composed principally of both Carolina and Louisiana troops.

This afternoon the train commenced bringing prisoners into Alexandria. The number taken by Sedgwick is from 1,300 to 1,400. The remainder were taken by French. A gentleman who was present with the army says it was a noble sight to see Sedgwick's prisoners in a crowd. They are the largest lot ever captured by our forces on the Virginia side, and were guarded by cavalry to prevent straggling or escape.

The wounded prisoners were also gathered in one body.

Our total loss is reported to be 400 in killed and wounded, but no prisoners. Our wounded were carried to Warrenton Junction, and from thence were sent to Alexandria this afternoon.

General French, following up his advantage, quickly threw the 1st division of the 3d corps, commanded by General Birney, across the river, which ended his operations for the day.

This morning he crossed the river with the remainder of his command. General Sedgwick had previously crossed it, and at nine o'clock this morning the two wings had formed a junction and held both banks of the river.

The enemy, after their defeat in these two engagements, were not only pursued by our victorious forces that they threw themselves into the river in their efforts to escape, where some were drowned and many were killed by our infantry.

All the artillery the rebels had on this side was captured. It is reported to be seven guns. They threw some of their artillery hastily into our hands, as they were compelled to leave it in their hasty retreat.

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—The *Herald* has the following:—"RAPPAHANNOCK STATION, Nov. 7.—Major General Sedgwick, commanding the right wing of the army, consisting of the 9th and 6th corps, left Warrenton this morning with orders to march to Rappahannock Station, and take and hold that position. The march was a rapid one, and the first division of the 6th corps, under command of Brigadier General David A. Russell, (Gen. Wright being in command of the corps,) reached the heights this side of the Rappahannock about one o'clock, and drove in the enemy's picketa. Hained second division of the same corps on Russell's right, commenced skirmishing soon after, and drove the enemy before them. The 5th corps, under Maj. Gen Sykes, formed their skirmish line on the south of the Orange and Alexandria Railroad, stretching down towards Norman Ford. Early's division and Terrill's rebel corps occupied the heights on this side of the river, the works upon which they had so turned as to make them defensible from attack from this direction. The works were constructed by our forces last summer, while we occupied the line of the Rappahannock.

The enemy, however, had strengthened them by digging a semi-circle of rifle-pits around their front. Such was the formidable position which Russell's brave boys attacked and carried to-day. Colonel Tompkins, Chief of artillery on General Sedgwick's staff, posted the artillery on the heights, about three-fourths of a mile this side of the river, and commenced to shell the works at about three o'clock. Eighteen guns were engaged in shelling them. At this short range the firing was beautiful and the effect demoralizing. That of the enemy was slap very fine. While this was going on, General Russell was busy with his musketry. He posted his line of skirmishers upon both flanks of the enemy's works that night, when his own brigade, composed of the 5th Wisconsin, Col. Allen, 5th Maine, Col. Edwards, 6th Maine, Col. Harris, and 131st New York, Col. Upton, were ordered to charge on the rifle-pits and earthworks upon both flanks. Led by General Russell in person, they went steadily and silently onward, fighting as they proceeded, until nearly the woods, when they fired heavily and rushed for the rebels with cheers. This was too much even for the "flower of the Southern army," for it was the much vaunted Louisiana brigade they found there, and after a short hand-to-hand contest, they turned to flee to their pontoons, which were lying directly in their rear, but here they were foiled. Our boys had already secured the approach to the bridge, and they had no alternative but to surrender or swim for it. Some of them tried the latter, but it was no easy matter, and they yielded. When those on the opposite shore found we held this end of the bridge, they set fire to their side and destroyed a portion of it. This closed, at dark, one of the most brilliant actions of the war. It was fought by the same troops that so gallantly stormed and carried the Heights of St. Mary's at the second battle of Fredericksburg.

Although Generals Sedgwick, Wright and Tyler, with their staffs, were present, and active, all agree in awarding the credit of this brilliant achievement principally to General Russell and his gallant troops. General Meade has sent to General Sedgwick an order congratulating him and his troops upon their success in this preliminary movement.

Lee is supposed to be at Culpepper, Ewell at Brandy Station, and Hill between Culpepper and Cedar Mountain. We are [illegible] to cross at daybreak.

LATER.

RAPPAHANNOCK STATION, Nov. 8, a. m.

From present appearances the losses of yesterday were somewhat underestimated. The killed will be nearly 100, and the wounded 300. One hundred rebels, wounded, are left in our hands. We have 1,800 prisoners including 100 commissioned officers. A heavy fog on the river this morning delays attack. Our batteries are in position, and the attack will be made as soon as the fog raises.

Lee Declines a Battle---The Situation.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—All quiet on the Rappahannock to day.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—The *New York Post's* correspondent at headquarters says:

There was little fighting to-day on the southern bank of the Rappahannock, but it was of no importance. It is most improbable that a great battle will be fought within a day or two, and no battle has been fought to-day. All depends on Gen. Lee. If he will stand for a battle, one is pretty certain to occur. Gen. Meade is ready for it, and his troops are in good spirits. The enemy is in a position which will compel us to fight under disadvantageous circumstances, if we attack him. We are urged to it by the President, Secretary Stanton and Gen. Halleck. He was not at all averse, apparently, to our crossing the Rappahannock. The truth is, in a pecuniary sense, it must be very expensive to the rebel army, amounting, perhaps 20,000. There is no reason to fear defeat, and there are many reasons to hope for success. Lee, this time, has not a safe retreat, as he had last year, when he was defeated, rather into the heart of Virginia.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—From information which has reached Washington to night, the army has left the south side of the Rappahannock, and is now on the Fredericksburg side. Burnside yesterday, with his left at Falmouth, and his right at Stafford Court House, drove the rebels from their position on the Rappahannock, and they are now in full retreat for Gordonsville. It is stated that Gen. Longstreet's corps left Fredericksburg on Monday night, and that the rebel forces in front of Burnside are those of Hill, Ewell and Jackson. It is also stated that Longstreet's corps left Gordonsville for Culpepper on Tuesday night, and that he has gone south to attack Burnside.

Our army lay in line of battle all day yesterday, but Lee declined to accept the issue of an engagement.

Gen. Kilpatrick occupied Foxy Mountain yesterday p. m. Last night he discovered a large force of camp fires south of the Rapidan, between Raccoon Ford and Jackson Station, on the railroad. No force of magnitude was discovered in and around Culpepper.

This leads to the inference that Lee has decided to risk a flank movement in the open field, and withdrawn his forces, except a large guard, to his dense strong position. All the evidence tends to prove that Gen. Meade has again out-generaled Lee by leading him to believe that it was his intention to move down the left bank of the Rappahannock, thus inducing the latter to weaken his front here to strengthen that point.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—The streets are full of rumors in regard to what Gen. Meade intends to accomplish in this campaign, most of which are more numerous than the good of those who circulate them. There seems to be no reason to doubt, however, that this is a different movement, and that a decisive and important object, which will, in connection with other movements of the Union army go far towards establishing the fact that the rebellion is essentially played out, and so reduce its territorial limits as to deprive it of all pretense to independence and nationality. A short time now will fully develope the plan of the grand campaign just being inaugurated.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—The New York *Tribune's* Washington special, last night says:

No considerable opposition was met by the advance march of the Army of the Potomac, yesterday, the rebels having rapidly fallen back and placed the Rapidan between them and our advance.

"A brigade of Buford's cavalry encountered a brigade of rebel cavalry at Waterloo bridge yesterday morning, and after a short fight drove them across the river. Having orders to proceed in another direction, the pursuit was not followed up. Last night Buford's cavalry occupied Culpepper, and the main body of the army is in the vicinity of Brandy Station to-day. Our advance has pushed on as far as the Rapidan, the enemy being on the south side, in their old intrenchments. Our forces are rapidly moving upon the different fords on the Rapidan. If any determined resistance is made it will probably be in disputing the passage of the River.

"Meanwhile it is reported that a movement is being made by another column in a more southerly direction, and reports of Kilpatrick being in possession of the heights south of Fredericksburg are reiterated.

"It is furthermore stated that Lee is not with his forces in front of Meade, but that A. P. Lee and Ewell are in command. Lee is reported to have gone to Chattanooga, and prisoners taken make the statement that Gen. Meade will be soon whipped, and give out mysterious hints as to his being drawn into a trap. The rebels could not conceal their elation in their army, and North Carolina troops captured declare that they will not again take Longstreet. The North Carolinians, called Tigers had a fight in the cars on their way to town, upon this topic, the former boldly asserting that they were heartily sick of the war, and did not wish to be exchanged. The latter called them poltroons, and the two parties came to blows.

A private letter from an inmate of the Libby Prison, dated October 13th, states that the Union prisoners receive no meat, it being impossible for them to obtain it, and live themselves, to supply it. Already another bread riot, of which the papers make no mention, has occurred. The rebel issue of the scarcity of food is the entire worthlessness of the currency. Farmers have grain and cattle to sell, but not to sell for money, for pay, rent, or to put within the iron grasp of the rebel government, if they can help it.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—A Washington special to the *World* says:

It is hinted that a considerable Union force has risen, and is about to move up the peninsula toward Richmond. It is stated that the artillery roads constructed under orders of McClellan are in superb condition, and will greatly facilitate the movement against the enemy.

The entire army crossed the Rappahannock yesterday, without any incident of importance.

Advices received otherwise in Washington, state that the rebels appear to be moving towards the Rapidan, as yet taking no position for accepting battle. Our troops command all the roads approaching Fredericksburg from the northwest, while some of them hold that town and Falmouth to-day.

The New York *Times* publishes a dispatch says: "Officers from the front this evening say Culpepper has been occupied by our troops, and our cavalry have pushed on as far as the Rapidan, without meeting the rebels in any considerable force. The impression among military men is that Lee's entire force is in full retreat for Richmond, and that it will make no effort to retard our advance this side of the fortifications of that city.

LATER.

A dispatch brought from the front says heavy cavalry skirmishing was going on all the afternoon southwest of Culpepper, toward Madison Court House. The only rebel force this side of the Rapidan is Stuart's cavalry, who are covering the rebel retreat.

FROM WESTERN VIRGINIA.

A BRILLIANT FEDERAL SUCCESS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9.—Intelligence has been received here, dated Clarksburg, Va., that Generals Averill and Duffie, commanding separate forces, after several engagements on Friday and Saturday last, succeeded in driving the enemy, under Madwall Jackson, several miles down the valley, east of Greenbriar Mountains, into and through the town of Louisburg, in Western Virginia.

After the first battle on Friday, fought by Gen. Duffie, the enemy was reinforced, but, nevertheless, the rebels were totally routed. On Saturday, under the combined forces of Duffie and Averill, the rout was so complete that the enemy abandoned all their supplies, guns, colors, &c., and fled in dismay, leaving their dead and wounded on the field.

Our men behaved splendidly, and the victory was one of the most brilliant of the war. The number killed and wounded on our side is not stated. We hold Louisburg.

THE WAR IN ARKANSAS.

Our Forces Occupy Arkadelphia.

GREAT DESTRUCTION OF REBEL STORES, ETC.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

SAINT LOUIS, Nov. 12, 1862.

Capt. A. H. Ryon, chief of Staff to Gen. Steele, has just arrived from Little Rock, bringing intelligence of the capture of Arkadelphia by a portion of Gen. Davidson's brigade, under command of Lieut. Colonel Caldwell.

On the 28th of October, Col. Caldwell with about 700 men entered Arkadelphia, and found the rear guard of Price's forces just leaving the town. Our forces immediately attacked and routed them, capturing a large number of their wagons, and taking several hundred prisoners.

Col. Caldwell then destroyed a large powder mill and an immense amount of ammunition and stores, and after a temporarily failing back reoccupied the town and now holds it.

CAIRO, Nov. 10.—By the arrival of the steamer Marcella, we have Memphis dates to the morning of the 8th, with advices from Little Rock, Ark., to the 6th. All is quiet there. Holmes and Price, with commands, are still located at Marshall, Texas. There are but few Confederate troops now within the borders of Arkansas. Marmaduke's cavalry and some 9,000 men are in the mountains west of Fort Smith, without supplies.

Marmaduke on leaving Pine Bluff, was chased by our cavalry from Benton to Camden, on the Washita.

Political affairs throughout the State are highly encouraging for the Union cause.

At a Union meeting held at Little Rock on the 31st ultimo, [illegible] were passed expressive of a cordial support of and loyalty to the United States, pledging the utmost endeavors to suppress the rebellion and restore the supremacy of the Government. A number of spirited loyal addresses were delivered, and a committee appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws for a Central Union Club.

FROM SPRINGFIELD.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

SPRINGFIELD, Nov. 12, 1862.

The late elections have completely prostrated the copperheads—especially the result of the election in Missouri. This has mortified and surprised them to an inconceivable extent. Leading copperheads in this State now advocate a change of base as absolutely necessary for the salvation of their party. How to do so and save the party from shipwreck, is the great question to be answered.

The *Register*, the leading Copperhead paper of this city, is to change proprietors. It is said that it will be made a joint-stock concern, so as to distribute

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1863.

CLOSE OF THE NORTHWESTERN SANITARY FAIR.

RECEIPTS ABOUT $60,000.

Dinner to the Soldiers—Address by Miss Anna Dickinson—Dinner to the Ladies

Saturday, according to previous arrangements, the great Northwestern Fair, which for nearly two weeks has challenged the attention of the country as the greatest effort of the kind that the world had ever witnessed, was brought to a fortunate and successful close. An indication of the happiness of the occasion was seen in the morning in the removal of the deposits of the "Curiosity Shop," which during the Fair have attracted their fair share of thousands of visitors, to Bryan Hall.

The crowd in attendance at the Fair, if it was not proportionate to increase them, were certainly not diminished in comparison with previous days. At one o'clock the auction sale of articles not otherwise disposed of, commenced and proceeded with great spirit. The stands were "in full blast," and the hidden prizes, Bogus men were constantly used to hear the frequent announcements of the drawings, and eager eyes were wide open to watch the fall of the auctioneer's hammer. The scene of curiosity and excitement continued until the last moment of the Fair, which had been determined upon as the hour for

THE SOLDIER'S DINNER.

It is difficult to imagine a more lively or happier sight than that presented at the Lower Bryan Hall daily for days during the time devoted to the soldiers' dinner. You would it be easy to conceive of a given amount of space so densely crowded with human beings, then, and this portion of the hall not occupied by the tables during the same period. On the dark ground of the military uniform dotted the thousands of gay colors which adorned the dresses of the ladies. In contrast with the honest face of the weather-hardened soldier, shone out the light of the rosy cheek, the bright eyes and the tender cheeks of the fair waiters and purveyors. While, like a burst of sunshine where the mingling voices of a multitude shining out amid the almost infinite variegations of color, mingled with the footsteps of the hall, the sweetest sign from the shoulder of his friends of his labor—arresting the eye wherever it might turn, and seeming at once to express the common thought, to harmonize and elevate beyond words, the emotions of the multitude were the "Star Spangled Banner" of the National Hymn. As soon as the last twelve o'clock as possible, the performances of the entertainment were consummated, and the lady managers had the satisfaction of seeing their guests arranged in a manner to be served with the best dinner ever spread for a great social meal. When all was ready and the hospitality of the feast had been signaled by some hospitable soldier from the board, the President of the Sanitary Commission called the immense assembly to order, and introduced Miss Anna Dickinson. After the applause which responded to the announcement of her name had subsided, she addressed the soldiers in a short but very eloquent speech, substantially as follows:

MISS DICKINSON'S ADDRESS.

I have not come here to-day to make a speech, but simply as an American woman, out of a full heart and with tears in my eyes, to say to you, looking around at you, and remembering your children in this crisis of our country's peril, how grateful we feel to you for what you have done for us, remembering how other men have stayed home and how other men have stayed home and how other men have stayed home, and how, as others earned and indifferent, others with their hearts full of curses against the Government.

Remembering this, I thank you; I pray God to bless you; I pray God to give you more justice, and better times than the past. The history of this war will bear your name upon its records forever as a people who have shown great grand and noble souls.

Gentlemen, you are contending not simply for the Government of the United States, but you are fighting for the principle of any particular form of political institutions, but for the right of the world. That is the immense stake for which you are fighting. You stand as the embodiment of humanity. Your brothers across the water, groaning under the heel of despotism, feel that you are fighting for the Government of Washington, Franklin, Jefferson, Adams, and Jay, and they are looking with anxious eyes across the water to see if the great struggle is which you are putting out your blood.

And I tell you, gentlemen, that every countryman, every boy struggling here for the Union, every man, every mother, every sister, every wife, every child, is with you in your struggle. Yes, gentlemen, the great revolution, which has been going on for years, is now culminating in a great struggle for the principle that which alone can give to the people of the world the right to make for themselves a government, and to make the laws of life and property, and to make the laws of life and property, and to make the laws of life and property

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"The Union Must and Shall be Preserved."

THE CAUSE OF FREEDOM:

JUSTICE AND HUMANITY,

PERPETUITY OF THE UNION,

OBEDIENCE TO THE CONSTITUTION

AND SUPREMACY OF THE LAWS.

A DENIAL OF THE RIGHT OF A REBEL TO HOLD ANY LOYAL PERSON IN BONDAGE, AND AN

APPEAL TO THE VERY REBELS WHO HAVE NO RIGHTS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION, WHICH

THEY FIRST OBEY IT.

And the prosecution of the war against Treason will be authority of the Government is established over the whole Union. There must be no half-measures nor half-hearted. Traitors and disloyal citizens and money, property, human life and property, and saving the country A NEW to enemy, rights and duties. Too much precious blood and magnificent treasure have been poured out to allow the Government to accept a peace to smoking peace is straight forward. If it not set forthwith secret path of lawful struggle to found the Republic, it is fairly worth to great to effort to the part of this generation to perpetuate it.

We have no sighing faith that the coming year will witness the complete overthrow of the rebel Confederacy. During the past year great victories have been won, and a territory larger than France or Germany has been wrested from rebellious control to the Union. One more campaign by the end that will close forever the fountains of rebellion and cross war.

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MISS ANNA DICKINSON'S LECTURE.

Her Personal Appearance—Her Method of Oratory.

The second lecture on, "Who was responsible for the War," drew an overflowing house. The great Metropolitan Hall, which for the almost entire city—by a highly intelligent audience of ladies and gentlemen.

At eight o'clock the side door of the platform opened, and Miss Dickinson stepped upon the platform, and was introduced by Judge Skinner.

In general appearance Miss Dickinson is quite a pleasing lady, quiet, and solidly of medium size, of refined and cultivated mien, rather had a sense to be perfectly well fitted and balanced, in a word, the perfect lady. However, there is upon the whole extraordinary power of intellectual broad in the regions of identity, and, with the exception of the lower part of the face, is greatly developed. The top of the head is proportionately high, and the whole impression is that of a very well balanced and cultivated lady, of a very decidedly intellectual nature, but upon a cultivated and refined nature.

The face confirms this judgment, and adds to the high intellectual character of the impression of the lady, a very high degree of benevolence. There is no trace of the Jeremiah in the delivery of her sentiments, and her patriotic appeal to the sense of outraged humanity, has the effect of a very high degree of moral power, and of a very high degree of intellectual power, which, in the opinion of nothing, but rather